

referred to limitations informally suggested by the examiner.

Amend Claims 24 and 27, by substituting –39– for “38” in each claim, making these claims dependent upon new Claim 39. Please cancel Claim 30.

Amend Claims 31-32, and 34-36 by substituting –39– for “30” in each claim, making these claims dependent upon Claim 39.

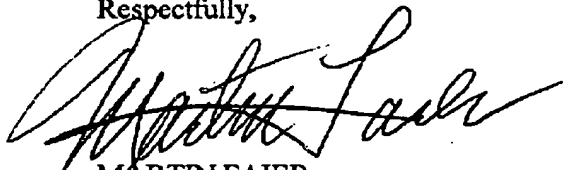
Remarks

Claims 24, 27, 31-37, 39 and 40 remain in this application. All other claims have been cancelled.

In the Advisory Action mailed 11/30/2005, the examiner indicated “Claim(s) allowed: 20-37” in Section 7 of the action. Claims 20-23, 25-26 and 28-29 were previously cancelled by the applicant. In the Advisory Action, the examiner found that now cancelled Claim 38 would not be entered because it added the limitation “said hinge member on said spine dividing the strip into longitudinal sections” resulting in a need for further search and consideration; new Claim 39 is identical in all respects to now cancelled Claim 38, except it omits the objected to limitation and includes limitations informally discussed with and approved by the examiner, as noted above.

The present amendment would place the case in allowable condition. Counsel thanks the examiner for his consideration and solicits allowance of all the claims remaining in the case as presented by this amendment. Please charge the extension fee and any additional fees in this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0040 of the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully,

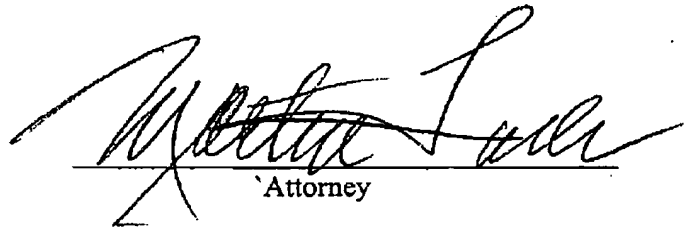


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